14 To the Committee of the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in Session at Madison Wis May 20th 1880

Whereas in the Providence of God the South Eastern portion of Alaska has been opened up to Missionary effort and the Board of Home Missions has established three Mission Stations & are arranging for others.

And Whereas the General Government is proposing to cooperate with the Board of Home Missions in the establishment of Schools in that section, which will increase the number of Ministers & teachers

And Whereas the Oversight & care of a Presbytery are very important in the begining of Mission movements as well as after they have gained strength.

And Whereas the nearest Presbytery is one thousand miles away, & attendance upon its courts would consume a month of time & 50$ in money.

And Whereas a Presbytery so distant & without any knowledge or experience of a work entirely different from that in which the Presbytery is engaged, can not wisely & intelligently legislate and direct the work in Alaska. Therefore the Undersigned would unite with Messrs Young & Lyons in asking that the General Assembly do hereby constitute the Presbytery of Alaska to consist of Rev ~~S. Hall~~ John G. Brady, Rev S. H. Young, Rev G. W. Lyons, Rev H. S. Blaney, & Rev John Reid together with the Churches at Fort Wrangell & Sitka.

Sheldon Jackson

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To the Committee of the General Assembly

Madison Wis May 20th 1886

Dear Brethren

Whereas the Missionaries in this vast Terr of Alaska are so far removed from any presbytery — being 1000 miles from the nearest that of Puget Sound & 1400 or 1500 from that of Oregon, as to render it impossible on account of the distance, expense & loss of time to attend any such meetings & enjoy their privileges

As there are several tribes of Indians anxiously awaiting & earnestly inquiring where they can have missionaries & teachers thus opening up good & promising fields which are liable to be occupied at any time by the Catholics

And as there is now an organized Church at Wrangell with (35) thirty five members and prospect of one soon at Sitka, where there is one resident Minister besides the Missionary and two ruling Elders We most earnestly pray the Assembly to take such steps immediately, as may seem best to its members to secure as the means for organizing a Presbytery, which we deem so essential to the interests of the Church of Christ

Respectfully Submitted

S. Hall Young

G. W. Lyons.

OFFICE OF

Special Agent Treasury Department,

PORT TOWNSEND, WASHINGTON TERRITORY,

May 18, 1880.

My dear Sir,

I came over here from Portland with our mutual friend Mr Marcus Baker of the Coast Survey, who informed me you have recently published a work on Alaska.

Please send me a copy at your earliest convenience, and let me know the cost price and I will remit at once.

Will the reports made by Dr Lindsley, yourself and others who visited Alaska last Summer be published by your Mission Board or by Congress? I am exceedingly anxious to get hold of them.

If they will not appear in print before the meeting of Congress in next December, if you will supply me with a copy of yours, I will incorporate it in another report I am now preparing upon the Territory.

I am satisfied at having no legislation this session, delay is better than defeat, or even the passage of an incomplete bill.

I hope to be at Washington next winter and take a hand in the fight.

Let me hear from you when the spirit moves you.

Yours Very Truly
W. Gouverneur Morris

Rev. Sheldon Jackson
Denver Colorado

Fort Wrangel Alaska
May 12th
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Rev Sheldon Jackson D.D.
Dear Brother

I did not recieve a letter from you this mail. Neither did I recieve a copy of your Book - as several others did this mail, I would not have spoken about it - had you not written me sometime ago about sending me one, so I feared it might have been lost. I must say I never saw such awfull pictures in all

my life as some of
these are, Mine that
is taken alone for
instance. It does not
look any more like
me than it looks
like old Shu Staks, &
I dont think hardly
as much. Mr Young
& Mr Bradys both look
quite well. But my
special ~~matter~~ object
in writing at this time
it is to send you the
letter I wrote to Mr
Banning at your request
long ago. You remember
he sent me some
money - & said they wan-
ted to support a girl in
the Home, as I had just
taken a nice little
girl into the Home

I afterwards named her Grace Banning. For some reason the letter I wrote was sent to the Dead Letter Office at Washington & returned to me. I now send it to you & if you see fit you can send it to him. I presume he has thought strange that I did not write to him - & they have perhaps abandoned the idea of supporting a girl. If so I would like to know it, so I might give this child to another society. The Home building is getting along nicely now. The paper & muslin came this steamer we have the chimnies up

& now the man has commenced whitewashing the out side of the building. We are trying to make garden, but find it hard work to do so & live down here. Then the expense is going to be so much more than any of us thought of. The ground that is intended for the garden permanently has not been cleared, & it will cost one hundred dollars to clear it & get it ready. The garden we are making now is on the cleared ground by the church. I had we could not get the other prepared in time. I hope we will have money enough sent to finish up everything. But I don't it. Much love to Mrs L. & the girls.

Yours sincerely

A. R. McFarland

Ft. Wrangel Alaska
May 8th 1880.

Rev. Sheldon Jackson D.D.

Dear Bro.

I said in my last letter that I would try & give you a short report of our proposed missionary expedition to the Hyda indians. If we were permitted to return in safety in time for the next Steamer.

The Lord has prospered us abundantly. & we were permitted to make a very pleasant & I trust profitable trip.

We made our trip in a canoe traveling more than four hundred miles. We were gone seventeen days. & visited all the Hyda towns.

Some of the indians were out at their hunting & fishing

posts. but we saw most of the head men of each town. & were well received by them. We held services wherever it was practicable. They all seemed anxious that missionaries & teachers might be sent to them. & at one town the Chief who entertained us said he would give the use of his house for a church until another building could be furnished if a missionary would be sent. They want help also in their efforts toward civilization. They are anxious to have a saw mill among them. One Chief said they did not want anyone to bring a sawmill & give them lumber they would pay for it. He also made this remark. "As long as they lived in their old indian

houses, so many of them together, & their children were brought up thus they would not be any better, but if they had the help they wanted they were ready to pull down their old houses & build Boston houses. It is my opinion that he struck the nail fair on the head.

There are six or seven towns of them in all, & we mentioned the plan of their giving up their old towns & forming one new one, & the proposition seemed to meet with favor.

There were not so many of these indians as we expected to find. They say they have died off on account of their own bad doings. If they were collected in one town though then would I think be more right.

hundred to thus unite. Every body that knows anything of this tribe speaks of them as being the most intelligent & honest indians on the coast. I think if a mission could be established & some good Christian would put up a saw mill & have a trading post he would do a good business not only for himself but the indians & thus great good be accomplished. We had good weather most of the time during our voyage & although some of it was a little rough upon the whole I enjoyed "roughing it". We are expecting the California any moment, & am anxious to get to Sitka. The Missionaries here seem to be enjoying themselves, & the work of the Lord seems to be prospering.

Yours truly in Christ

G. W. Lyons.

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Refer in reply to the following M.
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Department of the Interior,

OFFICE OF INDIAN AFFAIRS,

WASHINGTON, May 5, 1880.

Rev. Sheldon Jackson
Denver Colo.

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Sir.

Referring to the assistance in the selecting of Indian children to be educated at Carlisle proffered by you in yours of the 15th of Mch last addressed to the Hon. Secretary I have to say:

The Office failed to secure the detail of Lt. Brown, and Capt. Pratt declined to undertake himself the task of selecting the children and bringing them East; but as soon as he was informed of your offer of assistance he replied as follows.

"Rev. Jackson was recently a visitor

at this school and is fully informed and alive to its best interests and I have no doubt will do the best that can be done to cover and relieve the Dept. until our return. It is not at all desirable that Dr. Smith be absent for so long a period as this would take, and I hope the Dept. will entrust Dr. Jackson with the duty."

The next question is whether you will be willing to undertake the task officially as just mentioned under the office cannot do [illegible] for the [illegible] matter. The expense can be authorized to defray the cost of bringing the children to the nearest railroad station, and the railroad tickets can be purchased by the Office, and the funds for defraying other

incidental expenses of the journey will have to be advanced by yourself and refunded to you by this Office on the completion of the trip. On this account you would have to be most careful to obtain vouchers in support of the various items of expenditure.

Authority has been granted by the Hon. Secretary for the selection of 50 Utes, 20 Navajos and 10 Pueblos, it being decided that the Navajos need such advantages more than the Moqui Pueblos. Capt. Pratt urges the bringing in of 50 Navajos but the funds at the disposal of the Office will not justify so large an expenditure as would be required. It has been suggested, however, that as

the country around Carlisle has a large Presbyterian element in it some of the churches might be induced by your to provide for the support ministerial work of 25 or 30 Navajos at Carlisle, in the same manner that minds in Boston are assisting the Indian school in Hampton.

An early reply will oblige,

Yours respectfully

A E Trowbridge

Commissioner

List of 10 Pueblo Youths & Maidens

My 1880

Zuni Pueblo

1) Lā-wī-ēā-tsā-lūn-kiā — Gayler Ealy
   - Orphan adopted by Tsāī-lūī-tsā-wī-tā-wa
   - Iāū-tī-sī-é-tsa

2) Tsāī-ā-sī-ū-lú-tī-wa — Frank Cushing
   - Kūh'-tsāī-lī-wā — F
   - Tī-wāī-tsā — M

3) Tsāī-ā'ū-tit-sā — Mary Ealy
   - Kī'-sī-tī-wā — F
   - Tī-wāī-tsā — M

4) Sau-ī-ūh-tit-sā — Jennie Hammaker
   - Tī-ūī-tsāī-tī-wā — F
   - We'-lī-tū — M

Laguna Pueblo

Wāt-ye-eh (11 yrs) — Benjamin Thomas.
- Show-we-ye — F
- Ko-y — M

Ki-ot-se (13 yrs) — Mary Perry.
- She-we — F
- ~~Ko~~ Si-ōt-yāt-sih — M

Kowsh-te-ah (13 yrs) (Rays of the Rising Sun) — John Menaul.
- Su-we-yi-su-eh — F
- Ko-y-tah-sih — M

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San Felipe

Jose Seferino Candelaria (Mexican name)
Watte (20 yrs age) (Indian name)
~~John Shields~~ Sheldon Jackson (English ")
Step Father { Jose Ignacio Valencia (Mex)
t Sia (Ind)
Mother { Maria Carmel Ortega (Mex)
Cā-mā-Ke (Ind)

Juan de Jesus Duran (Mex) 18 yrs. age
Keisetewa (Ind)
~~Sheldon Jackson~~ John Shields (Eng)
Adopted Father Theodocio Duran Governor

Jose Nacario Garcia (Mex) about 8 yrs age
Hee-ri-te (Ind)
Harvey Townsend (Eng)
Father { Juan Christobal Garcia (Mex)
Lieut Gov { Mant-si-~~tewa~~ tewa (Ind)
Mother { Maria Eskipula Duran (Mex)
Sie-a-wasee (Ind)

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Agency.

United States Indian Service.

Boy — Zuni Pueblo Children

1) Ts'ā wi ēā tsā ʌ'ūn k'iā

(José) (Snyder Ealy)

Father or head of house.

Tsāī lūī tsā' wi tē wa

Mother (adopted)

Lāī tē sē é-tsa

Boy

2) Tsāī ā sē ū lū' tē wa ("sunshine")

Father

Kūk'tsāī tē wā.

Mother

Lāī sē āū lū tit sā.

3) Girl (Smaller)

Tsāī āū tit sā (Mary Ealy)

Mother

Ši wai tsa

Father

Ki' ū ti wā.

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4) Girl

[illegible] lilac (Jennie Hammacker

Mother

Yellow tie

Father

[illegible]

PRESBYTERIAN

General Assembly,

May 1880

Rev. Sheldon Jackson D.D.
Denver Colo

Madison, Wis., May ---, 1880.

There are in Arizona probably, 16,000 Indians as follows: Pimas 4000 Mohaveos 400, Zuchar-ys 400 Papagoes 6000 Apaches 4000 and Mojaves 1200. The Papagoes live much isolated near the Mexican ~~frontier~~ border in villages all the way from near the Colorado river to Tucson. They cultivate fields at times when they have rainfalls during the summer; they raise cattle and poultry and are self sustaining. When ever short of provisions they leave their homes and seek temporary ~~support~~ employ-

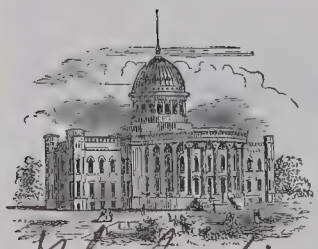
ment in Honduras and Mexico. They speak the same language as the Sumas and were formerly of the same tribe, differing but little from the Sumas in characteristics and general appearance except that the men usually wear shirts and hats and the women wear long dresses. Quite a number of them have been baptized by Roman Catholic ~~[illegible]~~ priests and the whole tribe is claimed by Catholics as a Roman Catholic community.

Some years ago four Catholic sisters were employed by the Government for several years to teach for Mass of San Xavier, but am slightly informed the

Government again desires to establish one or more schools among them. I have also learned from a trustworthy Indian, that some influential Papagos are anxious to have protestant American teachers and preachers, instead of Roman Catholics.

~~Quite~~ Quechartis live about 35 miles south of here, are related to the Pimas, speak the same language, intermingle and intermarry with them and at times hunt for and stay with the Pimas for months at a time. The Apaches are a roving warlike tribe and are not as far advanced in civilization as the Pimas and others, not many years ago

their women were far more chaste than any other class of Indians in Arizona, to the best of my knowledge they have no schools nor a missionary. I am ~~beyond~~ fully persuaded that there is not a more hopeful field of labor for Christian effort and schools among Indians than there.
The Pimas mostly reside in living Gargel and a number of smaller villages near the Gila, about 500 reside in Salt river valley.
These Indians are farmers, and sell yearly about 2 or 300 pounds of wheat. Like most heathen their morals are not good. Thieving, murder and adultery are common vices amongst them. The better class desire schools for children.



PRESBYTERIAN
General Assembly,

Madison, Wis., May_____, 1880.

The Indian children readily master writing, reading and arithmetic; it is hard work for them to master the English language.

One difficulty in the way of civilizing this people is no doubt the scant supply of water for irrigating purposes and the not forever husbanding the amount they have.

The Pimas I may say have no religion. They are a people spiritually dead; there are some of good character amongst them. Since the Padres have been on friendly terms with them it seems to me many of the young men are more well than formerly.

C. H. Cook

The above is an abstract of the facts as given me by Mr Cook who so far as I have been able to learn is a reliable man.

Wm Meyer

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Rev Sir

arrangements to

[illegible] would not be willing for
the Gospel to come — I told our Sick & Visit
[illegible]

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[illegible] information received
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[illegible] medicine in
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to them, since during letter to Jesus
Temple proved to be seditious —
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[illegible] to Russian affairs on Tan-
[illegible] as if the work
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If our abandoned, I would suggest
that a teacher be sent before Jesus

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may not be alone in her animal,
and that she may take counsel with
[illegible]
some of the people — get some articles
of furniture & [illegible] in Mexico in
[illegible] times — [illegible]
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Sun teachers in San Luis one might
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[illegible] Mr Jacobs is there.
Mr Schetter feels an interest in the
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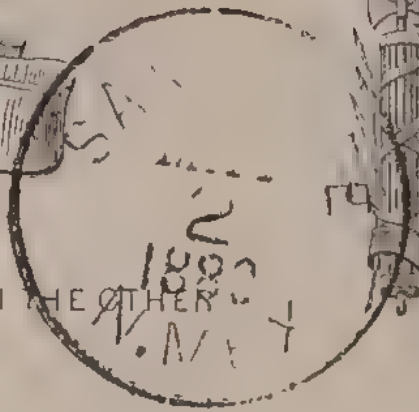

Rev Sheldon Jackson D.D.

Denver

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Santa Fe N. M.
May 1st 1880.

Dear Sir:

I would have been in Albuquerque before this; but money matters were in the road. I expect my pass on Tuesday or Wed. I received your letter this A.M. Will sign the note & send it in my next letter. I will go to A— as soon as my pass comes. Have you written the Board. I want you to keep me posted in regard to Greeley or other points in Col as I am not at all certain how the Albuquerque matter will terminate. The talk now is the town will be at the River crossing below. I will write you as soon as I get there. Yours in haste

L. McClain

Lane Sem. Cincin. O.
May 1st 1880

Rev. Dr. Jackson:-

Dear Brother:-

Your letter rec'd. this morning. I am glad that the way seems open for me to go to Colorado. I wrote to Mr. Hughes that I would be there by the 16th of May, but that will rush me very much, and so will say that I will be ready to preach in Greeley the 23rd of May.

If you think best, I will make a disperate effort to get there by the 16th. Let me know at once, what you

think about it. Our term closes the sixth of May, but many of my things are at home in Southern Indiana, and it may take several days to get them in order.
I suppose you will be going to the Gen. Assembly Cor. I reach there.
Will you inform the Greely people that I am coming.
Many thanks for Railroad favors, I send to the Gen. Ticket Agents today.

Yours in the fellowship

J. R. Taylor

I will be here until Monday May 10th. Then at New Washington, till I start for Greely.

J. R. T.

Santa Fe N. Mex.
May 1st/80.

Rev. Sheldon Jackson D.D.
Dear Sir,

Your favor with check inclosed rec'd. As to Synod, in view of the fact that there is no special occasion for its meeting, the fact that I shall be fully occupied here in raising a building fund and also the necessary expenses of the trip, I think it best not to go. I should much like to meet the brethren, and would say in the change, but think I should remain here. Old Pueblo [illegible]

as I wish to remain here, and I hesitate to take action in regard to the school without a better understanding. I would be glad to hear further from you in regard to the matter.

I have not yet heard from the Board in regard to the disputed lots. Investigation of Dr. Thomas's name through, and from what I can learn, the result will be favorable to him.

Yours Sincerely,
G. W. Riggs.

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May 8th 1880
Ft Defiance Arizona

Rev Sheldon Jackson D.D.

Dear Friend

It is with [illegible]
aching heart that I write to
tell you that Mr Alexander died
April 30th at six o'clock [illegible]
He was [illegible]
[illegible]

Cam Sun. Cin. O.
May 3rd '50

Dr. Jackson:-

Dear Bro:-

I have had a long talk today with Bro. Hughes, of Tracy, I am willing to undertake it: The Lord seems to have opened the way.

I will write to [illegible] today saying that I will be there the last Sat of May. Wish I could see you as I go up to Tracy, but I will hope to have you visit c[illegible] soon in my work.

Yours in X. J. L. Taylor

Santa Fe, N. Mex.
May 3d 1880.

Sheldon Jackson, D.D.

My Dear Friend,

Your note of the 28th ult., with $50.00 enclosed is received. On the 29th I received your telegram, and on the same day replied - "Report not sent. Do not go till you hear from me". Mr. Townsend has been very unwell for several days, and the inflection has not subsided very rapidly. He is not any better, but hopes to get off his report in two or three days, and I expect to start to Washington about the same date. I am very sorry that I do not avail myself of your direct aid at Washington; but letters from you to some of your strong friends there will avail greatly if you will

say in them that you know all about my case and that you would like personal help at the Department. I want to present myself there with force. I wrote Maj. Pulliam, M.C. on the 20th to get permission for me to go to Washington. He telegraphed, was reply, but have not yet received it. If the reply happens to be unfavorable I shall be somewhat disconcerted, & will then have to do all my work by letters and through others, in which case I shall want high favor with you and Col. Kendall. If I am permitted to go, I will telegraph you when I start, and you can then send me letters and suggestions to the Ebbitt House, Washington, or that I will find them there on my arrival.

I send you a "New Mexican" with a marked

item in it. The investigation did not stop, but it has been progressing for weeks without Wardeide. The Inspector has yet to call on him to sign the testimony he had given, and then I know not what will happen - not anything to protract matters I do not know. If not, the work may be considered nearly done I suppose. The "Ring" has been dragging the whole Territory for testimony against me. The case stands almost exactly as it did when you were here. Most of the counts stand very decidedly in my favor, and a few incline against me as you know, but I hope to show them all in another light by a personal explanation ~~this nation~~ unless I am shut out of Washington. Thanking you very

much for your kindness —
I remain,
Very truly &c,
J. M. Thomas.

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New York, May 11. 1870

Rev S. Jackson D.D.

Dear Bro

Your favour of the 29th ult was received this morning.

I think, if the Moqui Agency is again tendered to our Board for nomination, your recommendation of Mr Blatchly will be considered sufficient - in view of the circumstances; though the Board has always had the understanding with our people that full and fair consideration should be given to each and all of the applicants, and there are some uncommonly well recommended names now waiting here for nomination.

But I write to mention what is of practical moment - that when a nomination is sent in, it is our agreement with the Indian authorities at Washington that the Testimonials on which it is made should also be sent. These are required for the Indian Committee of the Senate. And they should come from several persons, including business men. They should specify four things 1. Integrity, through and through. 2. Business capacity and habits. 3. Energy.

And 4. The character of governing men. Of course it is understood that full & fair they with our hereditary wards for the Indians is indispensable. With kind regards

Yours very truly

John V. Lowrie

Office of the Chief of Engineers,
UNITED STATES ARMY,
Washington, D. C., May 5, 1880.

Rev. Sheldon Jackson D.D.
Care of Dodd, Mead & Company
New York City.

Dear Sir,

I beg leave to acknowledge, with thanks, the receipt of a copy of your very interesting work on Alaska, sent to me with the compliments of the Author.

The book has been placed in the library of the Engineer Department.

Very Truly Yours,
Wm. S. Warren
Chief Clerk.

POSTAL CARD.

WRITE THE ADDRESS ON THIS SIDE—THE MESSAGE ON THE OTHER

U.S. POSTAGE ONE CENT

Rev Sheldon Jackson D.D.

Denver Col.

Albuquerque N.M.
May 5th 1880

Dear Sir:
I arrived here this P.M. Find things very quiet. No lots sold in the new town yet — will not or Judge Trimble told me till next week. I will room & board at Dr Ealy's. Saw a card in the paper today from Mr Austin. He left for St Louis last Wednesday. Send any papers or letters to me here. Let me hear from you before you go east. Yours in haste.

J. McClain

Office of BELL BROS'. MINING COMPANY.

Ouray, Colo., May 5, 1880.

Rev. Sheldon Jackson

Dear Friend. I now write you, to express my thankfulness for sending us such a good minister. We were delighted when we received the action of Presbytery to know that it was Mr Janeway who was sent here, for we had heard of him. It will take some time to get the church in a flourishing condition again, after such a siege. I feel that our prayers were answered. Mr Smith has returned and is trying to do everything against the church and Mr. Janeway that he dare.

He said in prayer-meeting last evening that he was exhonerated at Presbytery, and Mr Janeway says next wednesday evening he is going to read the minutes of Presbytery to the people, for he over heard Mr S. saying that "well he did not choke me off tonight, I'll give him some more the next night."

I suppose Mr Janeway has written to you and told you all about it, so there is no need of my writing more about it.

We will do every thing for Mr Janeway we can, and try to encourage him, for it is not a pleasant thing to fight Mr. S.

We have not heard from Mr Bates for some time. I do not know whether he is at Arkansas City yet or not. Mr Janeway is quite anxious to meet him. We enjoyed his visit last summer so much, and I hope he will come over again this summer.

I must stop writting for this time. will write soon again. give my kind regards to the relations.

yours respectfully
Miss Jennie Bell
Curry.

Albuquerque N. M.
May 7th 1880

My Dear Sir:

I will send you the money you loaned me in a day or so. I find things a little dull here now.
I was told this morning they are asking for lots in the new town from $100 to $500.
I am going this P.M to look after our lot. Have but little hope of getting one. Mr Ashley is here, he told Conklin that he had heard from his Board & they told him hold on to the field. I said all right we dont object.

The old man is evidently excited over my coming here. I think he & Mr Gale are plotting against us, to keep us out of the Court House. A gentleman said to me this morning if they dont share the time with you, I will see they dont get it either. There is a Carpenter shop I think I can get; if so I will let them alone; if not I will have the Court House my share of the time.
What do you say about that? I dont want to do anything to bring on a quarrel but I will not be imposed on by these men, for I have a right to be here.

Yours in haste

Josiah McClain.

N.B.

I have just called to see about our lot. They said you will give you your choice of lots provided the Church will obligate itself to put up a building inside of Six months - worth one thousand Dollars. Shall I secure the lots?

I think I will and run the risk —

Yours &c

J. W. Blaine

Hanover Jefferson Co. Ind.
May 6th 1880

Rev. Sheldon Jackson D.D.

Dear Bro:

Although I have troubled you twice already with letters since the telegram I sent you, and your answering postal card, yet as the time of departure draws near, I write again for some further information and instruction how to proceed.

Our financial affairs here in the home at Hanover (Mother's) were in such shape that I could not get away in time to be at Presbytery. For this I am <u>exceedingly sorry</u>. I had counted on being there and do regret this hindrance. I shall, however, be able to leave here

in ten or twelve days. Then I shall go to Franklin Ohio where my wife is visiting with her people, and will be ready to start for Denver any day after the ~~20th~~ 19th.

But I see that you are a delegate to Genl. Assembly, and if we start at that time we will not find you at Denver.

Will you therefore please to give us instructions about the matter of going. Shall we go to Denver as soon as we can get ready?

Where is the best place to stop in Denver? Shall we proceed immediately to Fairplay? To whom shall I first present myself there?

I am depending on you for the half fare permit for that section of the road lying

between Chicago & Omaha. I have your card for half fare from Omaha to Denver which I have sent to the Agent at Omaha.

I find I can also get the same favor by the Atchison Topeka & Santa Fe R.R. I suppose that road would give the half fare permit as far as Santa Fe if I should ask it.

Is Las Vegas still open? We had so little knowledge of the fields that our choice was almost a matter of casting lots. My wife's letters since I left home indicate some wish to see the warmer regions. Some one has furnished her copies of the "Enterprise" (Las Vegas N.M.) and she has some news of that section. But we have had no newspapers from Fairplay or any Colorado points. I do not write of this to make any

trouble in your appointments or to show dissatisfaction with the arrangement you have made for us. It has occurred to me that possibly it is more easy to find supplies for the mountains of Colorado than for the less famous N. Mexico. As for my own case I have no predilection for Colorado. I want to do my Master's work and am as ready for one place as another. If you think best to send me to one place rather than to the other I have nothing more to say. Please let me hear from you on this subject. And make the change yourself without further word from me if you deem it best.

Your Brother in the Lord

J. C. Eastman

POSTAL CARD

WRITE THE ADDRESS ON THIS SIDE—THE MESSAGE ON THE OTHER

Rev Sheldon Jackson D.D.
Denver
Colorado

Morrisdale Mines
Clearfield Co Pa
May 7. 80

Dear Bro Jackson -

Your letter received
My wife and children are now visiting
relatives in Worthington City - expect to start
soon for Messilla - Have written Mrs.
Woods - and will leave as soon as I
hear from her - I hope we may do a
good work. and am looking to the
Spirit - to guide us -

Will write you often I have visited
around Messilla - and give you my
impressions yours truly

Thomas Thompson

ackd

Pittsburgh May 7th 1880.

Zuni

Rev S Jackson
Denver Col

Dr Bro

Enclosed find draft for Eighteen dollars, being a small amount accumulated in Home Mission box of Womans Missionary Society, Lawrenceville Presbyterian Church.

This amount please apply to same object as you did the late donation of Eighty five dollars from the S School. viz. School room at the Zuni Pueblo Mission New Mexico.

Please acknowledge receipt & much oblige.

Yours fraternally
Robt Davis
40th St – 17th Ward.

Ans

Home Quincy Col May 7 1840

Rev Sheldon Jackson

Dear brother in christ.

Mr Morris has just been here & tells me that there has a deposition been sent in to Westbury against Mr Bell. that he has been playin Pool I do not know what that is, tell I will just say to you that there are more there capable of swearing to anything, & you may rest assured that anything that may be said about Mr Bell or any of those opposed to Mr Smith is done to destroy any testimony sent in against Smith, there is nothing to

bad for him to do to gain his point. He came up here one day to scare me into voting for him. He said he was going to have charges prefered against Mr. Bell, Myself & one daughter & Morrises I seen the point he was trying to make. & I told him I had been a member of the Presbyterian church for 27 years & I did not care, he afterwards said it could all be fixed up, meaning that if we ceased to oppose him it would all be right

Mr Bells Brother Joe has just come in & says it was him that was playing Pool (the Brothers look very much alike)

Mr Morris sent

in a deposition &
letter against Mr Smith
& I whole to Mr Dodd
also about the ~~[illegible]~~ ~~[illegible]~~
~~of business~~ Petition & a great
many of the men are displeased
about their names
being used without their
knowledge. Mr Smith carried
the Petition round himself

May God grant that
our prayers may be
answered in regard to
this matter

Yours in haste

Mrs Minnie Bell

P S Mr Bell started for
Alamosa on last Monday with
with a Mule team for supplies

No. 44.

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Received at 7 to 7

To Rev Sheldon Jackson
414 Fremont

An important letter sent to Pueblo for you today

B M Thomas

9 PM

READ THE NOTICE AT THE TOP.

Santa Fé N.M. 5, 80

Rev Sheldon Jackson
Dear Sir

As Dr B. M. Thomas is sick & unable to communicate with you, at his request I write asking your prompt & immediate action in his behalf with the Indian Depart at Washington. The Inspector for the Indian department has completed his investigation & mailed his report to day. Dr Thomas wishes you to telegraph Dr Henry Kendall Box No 3863 N Y City a half rate message asking him to go to Washington immediately in Dr T's behalf. Mrs Thomas will be in Washington

the 13 inst & stop at the Elliott House, she will have full & complete instructions from here which will enable Dr Kendall to fully comprehend the situation.
Now Mr Jackson & you have many other friends in Washington or elsewhere through who you can bring a direct influence on the Commissioner of Indian Affairs & beg of you to do it promptly. That ever mistakes or blunders may have fallen in to our cards of the head & not of the heart. this every well meaning man in this country knows is only the sore heads that are ~~disposed to~~ making the trouble

Whatever you do must be done promptly

Dr Thomas was taken ill the first of this week been in bed ever since

Hoping you will give this your personal & immediate attention I am

Very Respectfully

J. J. Hinds

Post Office Department.

OFFICE OF

SECOND ASSISTANT POSTMASTER GENERAL.

Washington, D.C. May 10, 1880.

Dear Bro. Jackson.

I hope you will pardon my tardiness in acknowledging with many thanks the receipt of a copy of your book on Alaska. My only excuse is that I have been exceedingly pressed with business. I appreciate and thank you for the kindness. You do me honor overmuch in naming me among those to whom you are indebted for aid in its production.

I am much interested in Alaska and shall read your book with pleasure and I am sure also with profit.

We are all well and my wife joins me in kindest regards for you and yours,

Sincerely yours friend

J. L. Trunk

Albuquerque N. M.
May 10th 1880.

Dear Sir:

Enclosed you will find a Check for $50.00 Many thanks for the use of the money. I sent in your application this morning, will know in two or three days what they will do. They will give us one lot I know, but I dont know about more. Will you make application to the Board of Church Erection at once, for at least $1000, or more if you think you can get it; and we will begin the work at once. My idea is we will put up the walls enclose it and then finish it as we

get the means. At present we can do but little with the people in the way of raising means. Mr Conklin thinks in the course of three months will be the time to start the subscription. Perhaps we can do something before that, but not just now. Hence I thought if we could get aid from the Board we would begin at once. What do you say to this? Let me know at once. It will be a great help to us here if we can show the people we have help from abroad. Have you seen the Las Vegas papers? I haven't heard from there as yet. No work done in the new town yet. A few lots sold, but they are holding them very high.

Please let me know at once what you think of our plans, and what the Board can do for us.

Yours in haste

Josiah McClain.

WRITE THE ADDRESS ON THIS SIDE—THE MESSAGE ON THE OTHER

Rev Sheldon Jackson D.D.

Denver

Colorado.

Albuquerque N.M.
May 10th 1880.

Dear Bro:

I received a letter from Mr Bordin yesterday, asking me to come to Las Vegas at-once. I hardly knew what to say to him. However I decided to go Saturday, as I cant do very much here for the present. I can finish up the work here by that-time (i.e.) I can get-through my visiting by that-time. There is but-little else to do here, till we secure our building place. If necessary I can come back and look up the work till Mr Thompson arrives. Yours in haste J. McC

ans

Lyons N. Y. May 10th 1880

S. Jackson

Dr Sir

Your card came duly to hand and we your [illegible] a call have not heard from Him yet. Close [illegible] [illegible] know [illegible] but [illegible] the Gazette gave you a short [illegible] [illegible] the Board to reinstate Him. It was gotten up by Mr Coffler & the Gazette was his id one

in their leading manor.
It was Carried around
by Freeman where you
met a [illegible]
and the first time [illegible]
is a Roman Catholic
and you was a [illegible]
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[illegible] with the . the fact
is this being a [illegible]
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the [illegible]
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you. They are all lies
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a deep interest in those
knowing his standing with
you, will be thankfully
received
Dr.
anything
respecting Brooks.

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their own homes. [illegible]
[illegible]

Office of ST. LOUIS EVANGELIST.

REV. J. W. ALLEN, Editor.

PRESBYTERIAN ROOMS, 19 & 20 INS. BUILDING,

Sixth and Locust Streets,

St Louis, Tues. Morn May 11th 1880

Rev. Dr. Jackson In a letter fr. Bro. Roberts. who I have brot. with me he says "Please find $5.00 – three for Ocala & two for Taos for the Genl Assembly. wh. please forward" I forward herewith. Please dispose of accordingly. Hope you may have a good time at the Assembly —

Very truly Yours J. W. Allen

the Episcopals and Methodists are putting forth every effort. As the oldest church here, we ought to have the first building.

I had a postal this morning from Bro. McClain. He writes that it is dull at A. just now, and I was told by a railroad man, that it was doubtful as to whether there would be any growth there at all. Dr. Kendall wishes him to go to Las Vegas, and he is also invited by the people to preach there next Sab., which he will do. Please let me know as early as possible the result of conference with Secretaries.

Most truly & fraternally Your
G. W. Riggs

$260, which amount was to be included in the $1000 to be raised here. It will take between $500 and $600 to make the necessary repairs, and we can more easily raise $750 for a new building than $500 for repairs.

As you will see Dr. Wilson and the Secretaries of the Home Board at the Assembly, it occurred to me that you could arrange the matter for us, or at least open the way for an arrangement better than I can do from here, as the Secretaries will be there, and probably be very busy in the meantime, so that nothing definite could be done until after the close of the

Assembly. You can therefore do it sooner and better than I can. As you see, it involves the donation of the lot as well as the grant by the Board of Election. By getting the Secretaries together you can do in a few minutes, what it would require some weeks for me to do.

Please drop me a postal card on receipt of this, that I may know whether or not to depend on you. Our Committee are sanguine as to raising the proposed amount here. I think we can do something, too in the way you suggested, by an appeal through the "Rocky Mountain Presbyterian." We must do the best possible, in view of the fact that both

the Episcopals and Methodists are putting forth every effort. As the oldest church here, we ought to have the first building.

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Most truly & fraternally Your
G. W. Rigg[s]

The Board of Home Missions
OF
The Presbyterian Church in the United States of America,

23 Centre Street, New York, 5. 13. 1880

Dear Bro. Jackson

The enclosed is respectfully to you. Please read & hand till we meet – I have written to Phelps & Dr. Byrne, whom I know –

2. Miss Ross – you must see – she is not certain she ought to continue at San Luis –

3. Poor Mrs. Donaldson! letter from her to-day. What shall we do?

4. We appointed Hutton for Albuquerque Thompson for Anisella –

5. McClain says you promised to locate him in Col.

6. I have 20 things more to talk about but have not time now –

7. Dr. Duffin died very suddenly yesterday –

Yours truly
W. Kendall

P.S. I can't get to Washington –
(over)

ans

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EDWARD S. MEAD,
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New York, [illegible] 18

Dr Jackson
Dear Sir

New York 27th inst

Came when we were in the confusion of moving from old store. The first edition of Alaska is exhausted and we need it for trade. We will be glad to send a supply & Mr Madison will obtain 40 to complete from agent. We'll send so that the package may be at Phila by 20th. The other bound copies were mailed on 10th inst.

Our free notice [illegible] prepared owing to the confusion [illegible]

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[illegible]

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[illegible]

[illegible]

Yours truly

Dodd & Mead Company.

to rent

Hot Springs, Ark.
May 15. 1880

Dr. Jackson

Dear Sir. Mrs. McCoy wrote you of the result of our canvass. The [illegible] neither you appointed proved rather shaky. Mr. Emerick is Episcopal Minister. Emerick did not [illegible] to be very active, but for fear of offending [illegible]. Mr. Hutchinson said you did a very thing to tell the truth [illegible]. Mr. White when you were here, said that you had no right to send a minister here to turn out the Methodists; and of course Mrs. [illegible] sympathizes with him. Mrs. McCoy said we had better let the matter drop and give the Methodists the way. We said nothing out the subject as long as I thought we could and gave you time to act.

Mr. White's growing unpopularity would lessen the opposition. I called on Mrs. McCoy at the outset. The finding I meant to put the thing through volunteered to accompany me. As we met with better success at first than was anticipated she grew enthusiastic and evidently wanted to take up the matter, write you &c. I was very glad to have her do this and relieve me.

The figures are good, I think, are good as there are some reserved [illegible] see at the time who will give and make up for those who are "bad pay"

The trouble about the House is already being agitated. Mrs. McCoy has given them to understand that we are to have a Minister but half the time and that they can have the building as a church the balance. They asked me. I told them we had no authority in regard to the matter, that if you sent a minister you would send further orders. Now what I have to ask is, cannot you arrange it so we can have preaching at the house for the first two months at least. That will settle the vexed question, and settle it in a manner that they together with those who do not belong to either church cannot say [illegible], how mean, how unchristian. If they get the use of it half the time, it will just suit them for that, give them an opportunity to play mean tricks till our minister is vanquished and they can get a house built of their own. There never has been a better opening here than at present. With the right kind of [illegible] and things [illegible] at the outset. I see no reason why he should not succeed. But I beg of you not to send us one in such a way as to mix us up with the other society. [illegible] but a failure, and the cause will not even hold the ground it does at present. In

my intention it would be far better to rent the [illegible] and be without preaching altogether than do that. I write you privately about the matter so that you may understand our things we and should you wish, be able to arrange things upon a basis that shall insure success.

Most respectfully yours

Mary J. Fisher.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
WASHINGTON.

May 17th, 1880.

Rev. Sheldon Jackson.

Dear Sir.

Yours of the 11th is at hand. I have always had a good opinion of Dr. Thomas, and I hope he may be able to brush away the charges which from time to time have been urged against him. I have not heard anything definite about

the rent matter. If he charged the government $500 for rent and only paid $300 I should regard that as a serious affair. I see no way for him to appropriate $200 to his own use except by charging it on a regular voucher. If he did this he did wrong. I prefer to believe that he did not, and that he has a good reason to assign for retaining $200 — You can

depend upon this. He will have a fair hearing, and no injustice will be done. This, I understand is all his friends ask. He or they could expect no more. ~~and~~ nor be satisfied with less. I earnestly hope he will stand the test and continue in the good work for years to come.

I have talked Clarke wherever I ~~thought~~ it would do good. I hope something will be done

favorable to education by this Congress, but I do not expect it.

Truly

A. Beck

Morrisdale Mines
Clearfield Co Pa
May 18th 80

Rev S Jackson D.D.—

Dear Bro— I expected my family would be through with their visit at Washington—and we would be ready to start this week for our work at Mesilla—but just received word—my daughter is now sick with the measels—and we will be detained a week or so yet— I regret this much for our household goods—are all packed. and we have no place—to remain while they are sick except among our kindred— I will leave for Washington soon—and remain until she recovers. I hope my little boy—will not take them for should he—we might be detained some time yet— I wrote to Mrs Woods at Mesilla about Board etc— I think I shall board with her until I have looked the field over say about fifty or hundred miles around—and see the point—where it will be best to go to house keeping—will however as you suggest try Mesilla and vicinity—this year—.

I hope you will have a profitable meeting at the assembly and the spirit of the Lord will be with you in all your counsels. so that the Glory of the Lord may be seen in the extension of his kingdom

~~Yours~~ Your Bro ~~in the Gospel~~
Thomas Thompson

No 902 South Carolina Ave
Washington D.C.

House of Representatives,

Washington, D. C., May 18, 1880.

Rev. Sheldon Jackson, D.D.,
Denver, Col.

My Dear Sir:

Yours of the 11th is just at hand, and I will with pleasure see the Indian Commissioner in relation to the Pueblo matter. As I am in a fight with him I do not know that my application will have any effect. At the same time it can be easily made.

I will, also, watch the Alaska matter, as you intimate.

With best wishes,

Yours truly,

Jas. H. Anderson

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Dear Dr Jackson

I am deeply interested in your new book on "Alaska"; a copy of which has been kindly sent me by your New York Publisher. I propose to draw the attention of our I.M.N. readers to the work, in our June number & trust this will help forward its circulation.

May the rich blessing of the God of the whole earth rest upon the Book.

With your note of May 1st if you request us we can send you electros of the three cuts you name our price for which is 8d per square inch.

You can send us in exchange, electros of
An Alaska House p 26 of your book
Key-low-tik and Ten-toon p 65 — " — " —

The balance for difference of measurement you may remit to me. If it would be cheaper to post them, you might send them without wood mounts but our New York Publishers will know best.

Believe me Dear Dr Jackson,
Yours in gospel bonds
J R Phillips

Dr Jackson

If you send permits for [illegible]
please put them [illegible] & [illegible]
[illegible] would [illegible] for them
[illegible] worse

H. Hopkins, A. T.
May 21st 1888

[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible] letter [illegible]
last mail, In answer I wrote
[illegible]

[illegible]

Office, which did not come
until the week after he went
home. If you can send me
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[illegible] most [illegible], If you can
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[illegible] chance of [illegible]
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been the most comfortable
or pleasant but [illegible]
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our children & I can not
keep them here long—
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we get even that far which
is doubtful as the horses we
use all buy that would be [illegible]
[illegible]

[illegible]

Elko, Nevada,

Mr. Sheldon Jackson, May 21st 1887.

Dear Sir —

Dear Bro,

Quite a party of your Presbyterian "Shoshone Valley" "Reservation" north of this place, can be placed under the care of an excellent, and some competent man placed in charge by the Home Foreign Board. It is for the Western Tribe numbering 3500, some of them are now in Texas but will come for the Reservation soon. I think they are left the Indian not under some church control, & there is one of them. If we could get a worthy clergyman here, we would have a spare meeting house & we would station [illegible]

Presbyterian, by our own church is greatly need, this church seems very much being fostered up by the Methodists because the Second Presb. ch. so far away, as to prevent account worthing,

Now this Resolution is a good one & will provide a suitable fund for unfortunate brethren. Oh anything can be done. I should be delighted, and know a person in view who could be placed in charge, but also that before I speak I must consult them.

Let me hear from you soon

Yours in X

A. J. Compton

File

Colo

Central City May 10th 1

Rev S. Jackson D.D.

Dear Sir

When I last met you I was confined to my room and soon after I got out again I was called East, and have just received letters, so I have had but little to do with the matter. I have written some and also the superintendent about the matter but he thinks it the wisest thing for people from the East that have been in this out of the way country to come here, but from all I can learn there just came in before he came. He has never found a call, and did not intend to call until the meeting of Presbytery, and I can't do much more.

[illegible]

J. G. Kennedy
Navajo.

[illegible]
May 24. / 80

[illegible]

lemonade is at hand.

[illegible]

knows of me.

[illegible]

Curran Mich. 27th 1890

Dear Doctor:

I reached here Saturday travelling as easily as I could. The church is not in such bad condition as I feared, both parties apparently being willing to let bygones be bygones and start afresh. I feel sure that the right man can build up a good strong church by prudent action. But I've tried my experiment and failed. From the effects of my trip in I can see what I would suffer if I had to travel right thro. The Railroad will not at

within 100 miles of here for some time to come so far as I can learn. So each trip to Presbytery I will suffer. Besides the man stationed here ought to be able to make trips into the mountains to surrounding towns in case of need, and I unfortunately cannot make a fair day's journey in the saddle. After Darley thought I might use a buckboard but it don't pay to drive 50 miles when you need ride only 25. I hoped that I could possibly bone up to the work by riding but only is #50 a ton so that I could not keep a horse. We looked at the question on all sides and thing that I ought not to stay here I'm sorry for it, too. You were right in all that you said about the town. It's a pleasant place. If man in good bodily condition would enjoy it and do good work among

some very pleasant people. I note you will send a good man. I will heartily congratulate him on the field. If Fairplay or Del Norte are still vacant I would be glad to go to whichever you think most needs. I think a field where I can keep a horse and wagon would do me good. I am afraid this sounds like crowing about my health but the better I feel the better work I can do.

Finally when had I better leave here? I would be willing enough to work through the summer and do all I can for the church, but if the people know that I am going to leave they will hold off to see who my successor will be, and if I leave without their expecting it some are so touchy that I am afraid this will be set against the church. The sooner

some one comes the better but I think the church can stand being vacant a while. They have a good prayer meeting and Sunday school in spite of all that has passed and are not nearly so badly off as they might be. I cant get at the bottom of Smith's claim for salary but I think that will be settled without much trouble. A good deal will be done toward the support of the right man. I wish I could stay, but I can't. Of that I am sure. I can give a first rate report of the place to any one who proposes to come in. I hope you will find some one soon

Harry L. Janeway.

[illegible] Mar 19th [illegible]

Rev Dalton

[illegible]

Your [illegible] of 19th [illegible]
with Comm. to hand &
I was pleased to hear of
your success in obtaining
Mr Fullerton.
The Mr Meadows is here
and I assume you will
have no notion of giving
him up. We are pleased
with Mr Meadows & he seems
to be no mere dabbler.
and he is getting quite
well acquainted and
is popular with the people.
I have heard a lecture

[illegible] the natives
having [illegible]
[illegible] to against the will of
the [illegible] a month they got
a petition [illegible] signed
by the Bishop [illegible]
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the Bible and [illegible]
through their chief the
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[illegible] been to war the natives
were making [illegible] to
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they [illegible] [illegible] the
spirit by such behaviour as
the [illegible] [illegible] the

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Las Vegas N.M.
May 25th 1881.

My dear Sir:

I received your letter this P.M. that recommends by [illegible] I [illegible]. There are several reasons why I should not. It would be an additional expense to make the change; it would hurt our cause here. Not because I am indisposed to [illegible] but because [illegible] the [illegible] was upon good and the Board [illegible] in general. They have demanded the [illegible] not

succeed here. For me to have
been at this time, would be to
give up the fight to these
parties. That I would not do
for the best place in the
land. I have been to carry
this thing through, and I am
already in a fair way to
succeed. My confidence is
increasing right along, and
the members are very much
encouraged.

Did you receive my letter
enclosing a check for $37.
I have not no word from
Hagerman about our church
lots. Dale would not let
me have the court house, and
I must today buy one then
it cannot him.

Yours in haste,

Frank Allen.

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To Rev Sheldon Jackson DD

I will not go to Silver Cliff —

Josiah McLain

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[illegible]

Rev. L. Jackson, D.D.

Dear Sir,

Does the [illegible]

[illegible]

The reason [illegible]

[illegible]

you. School is doing fairly. [illegible]

[illegible]

handsome frame for the likeness you
gave her, but as I can not well
[illegible] little.

[illegible]

[illegible] recit. Thanks.

A. M. R.

House of Representatives,

Washington, D. C., ..., 188 .

Poncha Springs, Colo.,
May 21st 1880

Dear Dr Jackson,

At the meeting of Presbytery at Colo. Springs last fall you told Mrs Wacker that you could help us to procure an organ for use in Sabbath school and Church service at reduced rates.

The time seems to have come when we cannot well get along without the aid of an instrument. I write to ask for such information as you can conveniently give in the matter or to be put in communication with

the makers or dealers
from whom it would
come, as you may think
best. We shall probably
be obliged for the present
to rent an organ but with
the view of ultimately buy-
ing it and having the
rent applied on the pur-
chase money.

We have quite an en-
couraging Sabbath school
here and Father Hamilton
is still preaching every
Sabbath. We hope soon
to resuscitate and reorgan-
ize the Church here and
mean to find some way to
build a Chapel this
season.

Mrs Walker had a long and
serious illness, commencing

immediately on our return here, and was confined to the house some three months but is very much better now, though not entirely well yet.

Truly Yours
Chas E Walker

Franklin Ohio
May 29. 1880.

Rev. S. Jackson D.D.

Dear Bro:

Yours [illegible]
29th was rec'd [illegible] 9.
It is hardly worth while for me to say it contained disappointment for us. Although we had discussed the possibility of leaving Las Vegas, we had not been much impressed with the probability of such a thing, & now, our minds, that had in a degree settled and prepared for that sphere, are again some distance at sea. Las Vegas had enough of English work to keep us employed while waiting progress in the mastering of Spanish. And then its mineral

Springs gave good hope of future health, and I must say we were in no small measure anxious for other fields. But still we believe there is a better hand than our own that guides our movements and we accept this result as the will of One who does all things well.

And now again as to choice between two other fields. My study before was principally between Las Vegas & Albuquerque. Now it is upon Alamosa & Silver Cliff. As to latitude and altitude, as far as I can learn of the latter, it were best for Mrs. E. at Alamosa. The character of the work, being entirely Mexican we have discussed at some length and are ready to begin to study

its features and demands, but it would be sometime before we could promise much service. It is certainly work that needs to be done, and promises good results. We should be willing enough to be set apart to that sort of work, if that were the only thing to be taken into view. But as I study the map I discover the long miles of "Marshy Lakes" extending from far to the North all the way down the San Luis Valley to the Rio Grande: and this fills us with visions of chills and kindred troubles from which we are just now endeavoring to flee. And in addition to this we have some trembling over the Indian depredations, fearing we are coming from the South

On the other hand while Silver Cliff seems higher, & is further North and is wholly an American field it has two special inducements - I find its mineral springs highly spoken of in such references as I can obtain & find - And, there is at Rosita a much loved friend & Classmate in college, whom I would find a great help in work there. (S. P. Daly).

I think I should like either one of these places better than Fairplay. It is too high for us.

And now in our dilemma, would it be asking too much, for you to let us go on to Pueblo, with both these fields in view, and decide which particular one to labor in after we have learned more yet concerning them?

Santa Fe, N. Mex.
May 31st 1883.

Rev. Sheldon Jackson D.D.,
Dear Bro.

I write you at the request of Mr. H. M. Jones, applicant for the Moqui Agency and whom I recommended to you a short time ago. Mr. Jones states that he had a letter from Dr. Lowrie in which he says that the Moquis are not on the list of our Church. I thought that as you are about to establish a mission out there that there must be some mistake

about it, or some misunderstanding on the part of Dr Lowrie.

Will you please inform me immediately just how it is?

Anything you can do to further the accomplishment of this, shall be done in the interest of an efficient and deserving man, and will be kindly remembered by him and reciprocated in the way of furthering the interests of the proposed Mission.

Yours faithfully,
W. M. Biggle.

Charles A. Taylor
Monument Colo.
May 20th 1880

Sheldon Jackson D.D.

Dear Brother

I should deem an apology necessary for the quality & quantity of the lunch handed on the train at Monument if a word of explanation were not sufficient to make it plain. There was no time to tie the bundles up - no time to ask for greater variety & no time to cut another piece of cheese, nor to put in another cracker, but without weighing I snatched the two bundles, & barely got them to the train. ergo &c.

Now my brother while you are East you will doubtless have conference with members of the Board of H.M. I wish

to ask you to try to have our salary for the first year fixed at $1500, unless you really think that is too much. You know how I was cramped & embarrassed financially for the first 18 months, here & I have scarcely recovered from the effects thereof yet. Now from what you have told me I presume that it will cost 1/3 more to live there than here, & $1000 is none too much here. I spoke of it in writing to the Board. I feel perfectly willing to have it reduced after first year if it is thought too much, but I do want it amply adequate the first year. Please ascertain too whether my brother's expenses will be borne out here to amount of $150. Kind regards from wife, I am fraternally Charles A Taylor

We purpose starting from here on Wednesday Morning June 2nd., stopping at Spearville Kansas over the first Sabbath of June and arrive at Pueblo on Tuesday or Wednesday following. If you desire to hasten the determination of our fields you could write me at Spearville (if immediately) or at Pueblo. or telegraph me here until 7 o'c ~~Monday~~ Wednesday Morning — We have everything packed & ready for starting and feel that it will be best for us to be on the way before it becomes too hot & sultry for such a journey.

Let me hear from you soon. Don't be disappointed if we prefer the Silver Cliff field —

Yours in love J. C. Eastman

Pueblo of Laguna
N. M. May 31 1880
Rev Sheldon Jackson
Dear Brother
I received this morning from
W J White General Ticket agent
of A. T. & S. F. railroad half fare
Ticket from Albuquerque to
Atchison, through your kindness
please accept my sincere thanks
for it. All well as usual here
the Indians are preparing to
build a house for me at Seama
they are anxious to have a
permanent school there
Yours in haste
Mary L Perry